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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Christopher A Daley

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 September 2002.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 27 September 2002 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1 - 13 are pending.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1 - 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Moore et al (US6147863) in view of Shu et al (US6400843).

4. As to claim 1, Moore discloses A central processing unit (CPU) interface card having an accelerated graphic port (AGP) for adapting to a computer backplane to form a computer system, the CPU interface card comprising:
a plurality of extended industry standard architecture (EISA) contact pads corresponding to an EISA bus for electrically connecting to the computer backplane, the EISA contact pads transferring data between the computer backplane and CPU card according to the EISA bus; (Moore teaches of a CPU card 50, of figure 1 coupled to a motherboard 2 via single edge connector

cartridge, of Figure 2. The CPU card supports the ISA bus, COL. 3, lines 55 - 60)

and Moore does not explicitly disclose a plurality of AGP contact pads interlaced with the EISA contact pads in compliance with the standard configuration of the EISA contact pads to constitute an AGP bus thereby transferring image data between the CPU interface card and the computer backplane. (However, it is well known in the art of computer backplane that the AGP slot is normally on of the designated ISA slots. Further, Shu teaches of an ISA bus that is an AGP bus, COL. 5, lines 45 - 48, that is used for improving the display speed. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention combine the teaching of Shu with Moore in using the ISA bus as an AGP bus as taught by Shu. This would provide a higher bandwidth bus thus improving the display speed).

5. As to claims 2 and 3, Moore does not disclose the CPU interface card as described in claim 1 wherein the AGP contact pads of the CPU interface card are inserted into and then electrically connected with an EISA expansion slot of the computer backplane for image data transmission. (Moore shows in Figure 3 where the CPU card makes electrical connection with the backplane to the ISA slot 48A, COL. 5, lines 10 - 15).

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6. As to claims 4 and 11, Moore discloses the CPU interface card as described in claim 1 wherein the AGP contact pads of the CPU interface card are interlaced with the EISA contact pads to increase disposition variation of the AGP contact pads and the EISA contact pads on the CPU interface for space saving. (Moore teaches of a CPU interface card where the contact pads of the AGP and EISA are interlaced for space savings, COL. 2, lines 1 - 10).

7. As to claim 5, Moore discloses a CPU interface card having an AGP for adapting to a computer backplane to form a computer system, the CPU interface card comprising at least:

a plurality of peripheral component interconnect (PCI) contact pads corresponding to a PCI bus which serves data transmissions between the computer backplane and the CPU interface card when the PCI contact pads are electrically connected to the computer backplane; (Moore teaches of a CPU card 50, of figure 1 coupled to a computer backplane 2 via single edge connector cartridge, of Figure 2. The CPU card supports the PCI bus, COL. 3, lines 55 - 60)

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and Moore does not explicitly disclose a plurality of AGP contact pads disposed apart from the PCI contact pads in a predetermined distance to constitute an AGP bus thereby transferring image data between the computer backplane and the CPU interface card when the AGP contact pad are electrically connected to the computer backplane. (However, Moore teaches in Figure 3 of a pair of in line connectors that is ISA and PCI (48A, and 48B respectively) used to connect the CPU card 50 to the backplane 46. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to utilize the ISA bus as an AGP bus as taught by Shu and to place the contact pads appropriately to constitute an AGP bus, thus modifying the backplane of Moore for the purpose of providing a high bandwidth bus to improve the speed of the display).

8. As to claim 6, Moore does not explicitly disclose the CPU interface card as described in claim 5 wherein the AGP contact pads of the CPU interface card are inserted into and then electrically connected to an AGP expansion slot of the computer backplane for image data transmission. (However, Moore teaches in Figure 3 that the CPU card 50 is plugged into the backplane 46 with ISA connection 48A by single edge contact cartridge. It is well known in the art of computer backplane that the AGP slot

is normally on of the designated ISA slots. Further, Shu teaches of an ISA bus that is an AGP bus, COL. 5, lines 45 - 48, that is used for improving the display speed. It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention combine the teaching of Shu with Moore in using the ISA bus as an AGP bus as taught by Shu. This would provide a higher bandwidth bus thus improving the display speed).

9. As to claim 7, Moore discloses The CPU interface card as described in claim 6 wherein the PCI contact pads of the CPU interface card are inserted into and then electrically connected to a PCI expansion slot of the computer backplane for data transmission wherein the PCI expansion slot is disposed in alignment with the AGP expansion slot. (Moore teaches in Figure 3 that the CPU card 50 is plugged into the backplane 46 with PCI connection 48B by single edge contact cartridge, which comprises the contact pads).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

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(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 8 – 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Moore et al (US6147863).

10. As to claim 8, Moore discloses a CPU interface card having an AGP for adapting to a computer backplane to form a computer system, the CPU interface card comprising:

a plurality of PCI contact pads corresponding to a PCI bus which serves data transmission between the computer backplane and the CPU interface card when the PCI contact pads electrically connected to the computer backplane; Moore teaches in Figure 3 that the CPU card 50 is plugged into the backplane 46 with PCI connection 48B by single edge contact cartridge, which comprises the contact pads).

a plurality of EISA contact pads disposed apart from the PCI contact pads in a predetermined distance to constitute a EISA bus which serves data transmission between the computer backplane and the CPU interface card when the EISA contact pads are electrically connected to the computer backplane; and a plurality of AGP contact pads interlaced with the EISA contact pads, in compliance with the standard configuration of the EISA contact pads to constitute an AGP bus which serves data

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transmission between the computer backplane and the CPU interface card when the AGP contact pads are electrically connected to the computer backplane.

11. As to claims 9 and 10, Moore discloses the CPU interface card as described in claim 8 wherein the AGP and EISA contact pads of the CPU interface card are inserted into and then electrically connected to an EISA expansion slot disposed on the computer backplane for image data transmission. (Moore teaches of a CPU card 50 in Figure 3 with pads making electrical connection to a computer backplane in slot 48B that serves as both the AGP interface and EISA interface, COL. 5, lines 10 - 15).

12. As to claim 12, Moore discloses the CPU interface card of claim 8 wherein the PCI contact pads of the CPU interface card are inserted into and then electrically connected to a PCI expansion slot for data transmission. (Moore teaches of a CPU card 50 in Figure 3 with pads making electrical connection with a computer backplane, where slot 48A serves as the PCI interface, COL. 5, lines 10 - 15).

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13. As to claim 13, Moore discloses The CPU interface card of claim 8 wherein the PCI contact pads and the EISA contact pads are disposed in alignment on the CPU interface card for proper respective insertion into the PCI expansion slot and the EISA expansion slot. (Moore teaches that the contact pads for both PCI and EISA are appropriately aligned to proper insertion in the respective expansion slots, Col. 5, lines 30 - 32, Figure 4).

Conclusion

14. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher A Daley whose telephone number is 571 272 3625. The examiner can normally be reached on 9 am. - 4p m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Rinehart can be reached on 571 272 3632. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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